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Lansing's Police Chief is Retiring

Police Chief Michael Yankowski Announces Retirement After Serving Lansing for 25 Years

(LANSING) – Today, Mayor Andy Schor announced that Lansing Police Chief Mike Yankowski will retire on July 31, 2019. After 25 years at the Lansing Police Department (LPD), with the last 6 years as the Chief, Yankowski has decided to focus on his family as his top priority.

“Chief Yankowski has demonstrated his passion for keeping the public safe through his excellent leadership of the department and countless hours dedicated to the wellbeing of Lansing’s residents. His decision to focus on his family is commendable, and the residents of Lansing thank him for all that he has done for our city and community. I thank him and wish him the best in his retirement,” said Mayor Schor.

Chief Yankowski started at the department in 1994 working as a road patrol officer. In 1997, he became a K9 handler and was responsible for numerous successful suspect apprehensions. Yankowski was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2001 in which he supervised, directed and monitored road patrol officers operations. In 2007, Yankowski was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Over a three year period as a Lieutenant, Yankowski supervised the road patrol Sergeants and LPD’s Internal Affairs Unit. In 2010, Yankowski was promoted to the rank of Captain where he was responsible for over 150 sworn and non-sworn department personnel. In 2013, Yankowski was selected to be the department’s Chief of Police and has remained the City’s top cop to present.

Under his leadership the Lansing Police Department has been recognized as one of the Nation’s top Law Enforcement agencies. Over the last 6 years, Yankowski has focused on the Lansing community policing model, ensuring the police department works with all community leaders and establishing transparency as a daily protocol.

Mayor Schor has named Captain Daryl Green as the acting Lansing Police Chief beginning August 1, 2019. Green has been with LPD since 1997 and currently leads the department’s Patrol Division Unit.

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